time to time to sentisise the police personnel on Human Rights matters and impress upon them that violator of human rights would be punished according to law. Emphasis is also being made on the training of police personnel on human rights. The army Headquarters has set up a Human Rights Cell. Similar Cells have also been established in the command and Coorps Headquarters level in the concerned areas. The instructions have also been issued by the Chief of army staff in November, 1993 to the troops involved in counter insurgency operations.

ReprOesentaation against Continance of TADA

8018. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of associations and organisations which represented against the continuance of TADA;

(b) the specific grounds made out against TADA by them;

(c) whether Government have verified their grounds, for abolition of TADA; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Activities of ISI Agents

8019. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the activities of ISI agents, in collaboration with fundamentalists, on the international border at Karimganj in Assam, as per the intelligence reports;

(b) whether it is a fact that the fundamentalists are having closed door meetings with ISI activists, in boosting separatism among the people there; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have reports that meetings between Pak ISI functionaries and anti-national elements have been taking place from time to time.

(c) Government have taken several steps which include gearing up of intelligence machinery, border fencing, intensification of border patrolling, supply of equipments for effective observation during day and night increase in number of Nakas as well as sensitising and alerting the State Government regarding movements of Pak ISI agents, anti-national elements and insurgents. In addition, Government have been continuously apprising friendly countries about the continuous support in terms of equipment, arms and training given by Pakistan to terrorists in India. It has been made clear that the Government is committed to safeguarding India's national interest and ensuring its territorial integrity.

Transfer of Officers in Oil Corporations

8020. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the duration of stay of an Officer of Oil Corporations at a particular station/division;

(b) whether the Officers are transferred from one division to another after their promotion, in order to gain experience of other divisions; and